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# HISTORIC AMERICAN ENGINEERING RECORD

## MASTER PROJECT RECORD

WV-9

### West Oil Company: Endless Wire Pumping Operation, 1907

Petroleum vicinity (Volcano)  
Ritchie County  
West Virginia

- WV-9-1 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907. VIEW LOOKING SOUTH.
- WV-9-2 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1898. LARGE TANK, VOLCANO STATION AND BAND HOUSE, AFTER THE RR WAS DISMANTLED.
- WV-9-3 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV. LOOKING DOWN THE CREEK, WEST BACK OF THE STORES, BEFORE THE FIRE (n.d.).
- WV-9-4 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907. CORNER OF THORNHILL STORE AND TOWN HALL. MRS. GATES AND JOHN SCHAFFER.
- WV-9-5 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1880. VOLCANO TOWN HALL. BLACKLIN HOUSE AT LEFT.
- WV-9-6 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907. STAGE, VOLCANO TOWN HALL. OLD GLORY, GETTING THE WORST OF IT.
- WV-9-7 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1880's. VOLCANO LITTLE THEATRE GUILD. SOME CAST.
- WV-9-8 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907. INTERIOR VOLCANO TOWN HALL FROM STAGE SHOWING RAISED SEATS.

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- WV-9-9      Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
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VIEW LOOKING NORTH.
- WV-9-10     Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV.  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND GATES RESIDENCE AT LEFT  
(n.d.).
- WV-9-11     Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907.  
JOHN SHAFFER'S STORE AND JOHN WILSON'S BOWLING  
ALLEY AND SALOON IN FOREGROUND.
- WV-9-12     Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907.  
THORNHILL STORE.
- WV-9-13     Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907.  
VOLCANO SCHOOL HOUSE, ME. CHURCH IN WOODS  
AT LEFT.
- WV-9-14     Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907.  
MOUNT FARM OIL COMPANY.
- WV-9-15     Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV,  
UP THE HILL, SOUTH OF THE TOWN (n.d.).
- WV-9-16     Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907.  
STILES RESIDENCE, THORNHILL FARM.
- WV-9-17     Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907.  
THE OLD STILES HOUSE LOOKING EAST.
- WV-9-18     Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1998.  
THIS ENGINE HAD CAB KNOCKED OFF AND TIRES  
USED ON OTHER ENGINE, SO JOHN NOON AND PAT  
O'BRIEN WERE SCRAPING IT.
- WV-9-19     Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907.  
THE OLD STILES HOUSE, LOOKING WEST.

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- WV-9-20 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907.  
RESIDENCE OF E.W. STAPLES AND DR. W.H. SHARP.
- WV-9-21 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV.  
"JOHN NOON L\*(. SAYS HE DROVE THE FIRST  
SPIKE AND I SAW HIM PULL THE LAST ONE AT  
VOLCANO JUNGTION" SBS.
- WV-9-22 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1898.  
TANK, VOLCANO PUMPING STATION, AND BARNE  
HOUSE STILL STANDING AND IN USE. THIS SHOWS  
THE OLD RR LINE. (1934 CAPTION).
- WV-9-23 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1897.  
TAKEN AT WATER TANKS NEAR THE HIGH TRESTLE.  
BOB FLEMING-ENGINEER, WILSH (?) ROLLINS-FIREMAN,  
OTH (?) COLLINS-PASSENGER (WITH GANE).
- WV-9-24 Photocopied 1973 from original owned by  
Albert M. Stiles, Jr., Parkersburg, WV, 1907.  
JIM RIDGE'S CARPENTER SHOP, LOOKING UP THE  
GREEK, EAST.
- WV-9-25 Photocopied 1973 from The Rig & Reel Magazine,  
(March, 1923) p. 1.  
TYPICAL ENDLESS-WIRE RIG IN VOLCANO.
- WV-9-26 Photocopied 1973 from The Rig & Reel Magazine,  
(March, 1923) p. 1.  
TYPICAL WELL HOOK-UP.
- WV-9-27 Photocopied 1973 from The Rig & Reel Magazine,  
(March, 1923) p. 5.  
EARLIER ENDLESS-WIRE TRANSMISSION NOW IN RUINS.
- WV-9-28 Photocopied 1973 from The Rig & Reel Magazine,  
(March, 1923) p. 2.  
INTERIOR OF CENTRAL POWERHOUSE AT VOLCANO - NOW  
DISMANTLED.

WV-9-29 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
FRAME OIL DERRICK, PLANK.

WV-9-30 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
BIG WHEEL AT BASE FOR PULLING THE CASING.

WV-9-31 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
WELL WITH POLE DERRICK AND COMPLETE SET OF  
WHEELS, ROADWAY ACCESS.

WV-9-32 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973. .  
DEAD-END WELL WITH WOODEN OIL TANK, PIPE ROCKER ARM.

WV-9-33 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
ENGINE HOUSE, PORTRAIT, SIDE VIEW.

WV-9-34 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
ENGINE HOUSE, WIRES FROM IT, AND COMPLETE  
WELL DERAIL, WHEELS.

WV-9-35 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
DETAIL OF WOODEN WHEELS, CONCRETE BASE.

WV-9-36 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
WOODEN WELL DETAIL AND JACK LINE.

WV-9-37 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
DIFFERENT ANGLE DETAIL OF PHOTO 36.

WV-9-38 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
ANOTHER DETAIL OF PHOTO 36, ANGLE.

WV-9-39 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
TWO POLE WELLS.

WV-9-40 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
SHOP, Y-POLE, MR. WEST'S HOUSE AND POLE SWELL

WV-9-41 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
MR. WEST'S HOUSE, MR. WEST ON PORCH AND THE  
ARBOR THAT IS OVER 100 YEARS OLD.

WV-9-42 William E. Barrett, PHotographer, 1973.  
MACHINE SHOP, EXTERIOR.

WV-9-43 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
MACHINE SHOP, INTERIOR.

WV-9-44 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1973.  
MACHINE SHOP, INTERIOR.

WV-9-45 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 19i7.  
BELTING AND WHEELS AT CENTER.

- WV-9-46 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1977.  
SAME SHOWING MORE ROOF DAMAGE AND NOT QUITE  
AS WIDE AN ANGLE VIEW.
- WV-9-47 William Barrett, Photographer, 1977.  
LARGE DRIVE WHEEL AND CORNER AREA
- WV-9-48 William E. Barrett, Photographer, 1977.  
SIMPLEX ENGINE: SIDE VIEW.